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5. Other information being provided for the examiner's consideration follows:

*A copy of the European Search Report is attached.*

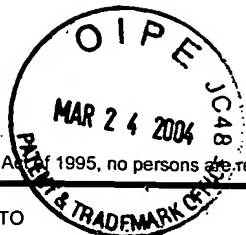
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